

**CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES  
March 10, 2011**

At 5:35 P.M. Deborah Gordon called the meeting to order in the Second Floor Auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

**Committee Members Attending:**

Jerry Carlson (Town of Atherton)  
Carol Groom (County of San Mateo)  
Tom Kasten (Town of Hillsborough)  
Art Kiesel (City of Foster City); for Linda Koelling)  
Kirsten Keith (City of Menlo Park)  
Kevin Mullin (City of South San Francisco)  
Mary Ann Nihart (City of Pacifica)  
Gina Papan (City of Millbrae)  
Sepi Richardson (City of Brisbane)

**Guests or Staff Attending:**

Richard Napier (C/CAG Executive Director)  
Jim Bigelow (Redwood City Chamber of Commerce)  
Mark. Herschman (Assembly Member Hill' Office)  
Chuck Cole (Advocation – by phone)  
Gus Khouri (Advocation – by phone)  
Joseph Kott (C/CAG Staff)

**1. Public comment on items not on the agenda.**

None.

**2. Approval of Minutes.**

Legislative Committee Minutes for the meeting of December 9, 2010 were approved by acclamation.

**3. Briefing from Advocation.**

The Legislative Committee received and discussed a briefing from Gus Khouri and Chuck Cole, C/CAG's advocates in Sacramento who participated by phone. The State budget deficit is approximately \$26 billion. The Governor has proposed \$13 billion in budget cuts and \$13 billion in new revenues. The revenues will include continuation of the .25 state income tax surcharge, the six-cent sales and use tax, and the 1.15% vehicle license fee. The Governor wants the Legislature to put extension of these revenue sources on the State ballot for June 2011. Conservatives are pressuring the Republican delegation to recall members who vote to put these tax extensions on the ballot. It is highly unlikely that there are enough votes to put these tax measures on the ballot in June. It is likely that the gas tax swap will be approved by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. The re-development agencies are unlikely to survive this budget crisis. The main focus of the Legislature and Governor is the State budget and not legislation at the moment. While there has been a recent uptick in state tax collections, state income tax refunds were higher than usual.

**4. Legislative Priorities**

The Legislative Committee recommended to the C/CAG Board that there be no change in C/CAG's Oppose position on the proposal to add a representative each from the City of San Jose and the City of Oakland to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. In addition, the Legislative Committee recommended that the C/CAG Board support AB 1105, legislation that would authorize inter-county coordination and revenue sharing for high occupancy toll lanes (HOT). Further, the Legislative Committee recommended to the C/CAG Board that C/CAG staff be authorized to begin discussions with VTA on the planned HOT lane along Highway 101 in Santa Clara County that would extend into San Mateo County from Willow Road interchange to the Whipple interchange.

**5. Establish Date and Time for Next Meeting.**

April 14, 2010 at 5:30 PM in the Second Floor Auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office, unless otherwise announced, was selected.

**6. Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at 6.25 PM.